

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2006**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The pledge to the flag was led by Rob Tompkins, member of the Mayor's Youth Council; also present from the Mayor's Youth Council was Heath Anderson. Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Brian Sheehan entered the meeting immediately after the roll was called. Chris Fields was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Julie Newhouse.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the October 3 and 23, 2006 meetings were presented for approval. McGowan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- Pursuant to request of the Council, I have researched modifying our existing city employee handbook. I met with our liability insurance carrier and he has referred me to a firm that has been contracted by several municipalities. They are working throughout Indiana with the Indiana Clerk-Treasurer's Association to accomplish this same task. They additionally provide a wage study service in addition to the policy and procedure work. This company has requested to make a presentation at our November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. This appears to be a service that is affordable and will be tailored to our individual needs.
- I will be attending the Indiana Logistics Summit on November 14<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis. This summit is co-sponsored by Purdue University and the Indiana Port Authority. Several issues will be discussed, including "Major Moves", the Bio-Fuel Industry, and discussions on key factors on drawing Honda and other auto suppliers to Indiana.
- There will be a Veteran's Day Ceremony this Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Bridge. I would encourage all of you to attend.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \***

Pavey said he received a request from the County Health Department for a smoke free County. Copies of the request will be distributed to Council

**COMMITTEE REPORTS \* \* \***

Pavey said the ag zoning core group will be expanding.

Bridges asked if anyone had received any comments regarding the time political signs were to be removed. He said some were not pleased that there may not be limitations.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Police** – Fudge passed out the monthly report.

Fudge said the City Police Department, Rush County Sheriff Department, City Utilities, Soil and Water Conservation District, and the Rush County Health Department have been working together on a drug drop off program. He said the first day they collected approximately 55,800 pills. He said probably when everything was counted there would probably be approximately 80,000. They plan to continue this program in the future. He said they also took in some guns and ammunition.

**Public Hearing Additional Appropriation** – Bridges opened the meeting for a public hearing on an additional appropriation. Park Director Mathews said there would be enough money left in the salary line item to purchase a truck. Therefore, the \$13,500.00 in the additional appropriation from Park & Rec Non Reverting would not be necessary. There was no comment from the public. Pavey made a motion to close the public hearing. Byrne seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

Pavey made a motion to approve the additional appropriation 2006-25 with the deletion of the \$13,500.00 for the truck in Park & Rec Non-Reverting. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing Amendment for C-1 Land Use** – Bridges opened the meeting for a public hearing on the amendment for C-1 land use. There was no comment from the public. Sheehan made a motion to close the public hearing. McGowan seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed. Byrne made a

motion to give a favorable recommendation for the amendment to the C-1 land use. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS CONTINUED \* \* \***

**Park** – Mathews asked to transfer \$13,500.00 from the salary line item to purchase a truck. Council agreed. The transfer will be prepared for the next meeting. It was also the consensus of Council that if Mathews had enough money left at the end of the year he could purchase a second truck.

**Animal** – Hill handed out his monthly report.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Amended Salary Ordinance** – Byrne made a motion to approve the amended salary ordinance. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Annexation Claims** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the annexation claims as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Transfer Resolution 2006-25** – Byrne made a motion to approve Transfer Resolution 2006-25. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Formation of Citizens Corp** – Chuck Kemker, President of the LEPC, gave a presentation in regard to forming a Citizens Corp. Sheehan made a motion to give favorable approval for the formation of the Citizens Corp. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Byrne made a motion to approve the claims as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before the Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER